

Exhibit V (Redacted)

The Honorable Nicholas G. Garaufis
United States District Judge



Oxford
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6 October 2019

Dear Judge Garaufis,

Re MICHAEL COHEN

I have known Michael Cohen as a family friend for over a decade. My husband has written to you to vouch for his character, but I wanted to write myself. I have not read his letter and he has not read mine.

I am a Senior Circuit Judge in England and Wales and also sit in the High Court (Chancery and Queen's Bench divisions). You will understand that I have to be, and I am, very careful in my choice of friends and with whom I socialise. I had heard about my husband's new acquaintance, Michael Cohen, for several years before I met him. Since then, I have come to know him well, spending many happy days together with our respective children. He is incredibly generous, kind, patient and loyal. Nothing is more important to him than his family. Upon getting to know him, I came to the conclusion that he was a truly decent, honest, good man. Nothing that has happened since then has caused me to waver in that assessment.

When my husband told me of the various initial allegations made against Michael, I did not believe them, because I knew that Michael was incapable of doing what was suggested. He is a man who is repulsed by dishonesty. As the investigations carried on for months, and then years, I watched Michael shoulder increasingly

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